THE LATEST GOSSIP OF THE STAGE AND THE CONCERT HALLS.

tore Thomas's Rebenrual and Some of its Shertcomings - Barnum's Street Parade-Dockstader's Troupe to Travel.

Mr. Thomas gives so many concerts during the fall and winter season that it is not surprising if his programmes are not invariably of equal attractiveness. As a rule, good and enjoyable works preponderate. Semi-occasionally, however, the material chosen for presentation proves somewhat inferior to the best, and when this happens as rarely as it does in the case of Mr. Thomas, severity of judgment is uncalled for. Yesterday's public rehearsal must be reckoned with the few entertainments arranged by this conductor. his winter, for which indulgence is to be asked. Measured by an ordinary standard, it might be set down as passably interesting; compared with the best programmes of the series it fell far below them. This, too, in respect of both orehestral music and solo performances. Cowen's symphony No. 5 is neither a remark-Cowen's symphony No. 5 is neither a remarkable nor a grateful work. Its first movement (motto sostemto) is almost as long as the three remaining divisions, and containing nothing striking in the way of ideas to engage the listener's attention; its second (altegratio quasi altegrat) bears no relation whatever, in its elements or treatment, to the whole, of which it should be an organic part; and the general indefiniteness of thought observable throughout the effort is not once effect by such instrumentation as modern writers oftentimes resort to to cancent their creative poverty, as a begger might concent his rags under a mantle of purple. The best orchestral number on the house bill was likelihology's familiar symphonic tone picture, taken from his "Wallenstein" symphony, and portraying the typical medieval camp, with its revels broken in upon by the canuchin's sermon. Bungert's new "symphonic poem," entitled "Auf der Wartburg," which was played just before the "Wallenstein" fragment, claims commendation for the rich sonorousness of the instrumentation, but the composition can searcely be said to denote much originality on the part of the musician, who uses Luther's well-worn chorale in opposition to a slender proportion of festial music, in suggestion, no doubt, of the strange and widely varying opisodes of which the historic castle has been the scene. The soloists in yesterday's rehearsal vere Mr. Conrad Ansorge, pianist, and Mme. Theresa Herbert-Foerster, soprano. Mr. Ansorge, who plays capitally music with which he is in sympathy through temperament or training, has no fondness for Schumann's lovely A minor concerto. Yesterday's performance was devoid of feeling, and, in truth, it never once rose above the plane of technical medicerity. Concerning Mme. Herbert-Foerster, who, when she compe to this country, two years ago, was gifted with a fine voice, it can only be recorded that her tones have grown painfully tremulous, and that she is wholly unequal, intellectually and emotionally, to brond and expressive able nor a grateful work. Its first movement

Last Chamber Concert by the New York String Quartet.

The third and last concert this season by the New York String Quartet was given last evening in Steinway Hall. The organization was assisted by Conrad Ansorge, the planist, and Mr. Nahan Franko played the second viola part in Mendelssohn's B flat quintet. This part in Mendelssohn's B flat quintet. This work and a new quartet by G. Rauchenecker and Bubinstein's D major sonata for ceilo and plano made up the programme. The new quartet was played for the first time, and it did not make a very favorable impression. One of its themes was too reminiscent of Wagaer to be altogether pleasing in its surrounding, but this was a minor defect compared with the tendency to overdevelopment and a straining after striking effects that resulted only in coarseness. The Rubinstein senata is a grand composition, and it was splendidly performed by Messrs. Ansorge and Victor Herbert. In general respects the quartet playing was satisfiactory.

News of the Show Business-Barnum and the Mayor-The Ringlons

Mayor Hewitt has not vetoed the Aldermen's order permitting the yearly parade of the Barnum show. Barnum & Bailey have obtained their permit for that display, and the usual bageant will be seen on March 10. The obectional feature to which the veto applies is the continual airing and exhibition of the advertising wagons. It has been the custom to keep up an almost constant patrol of the streets with these immense gilded charlots, called perambulators by circus men, each one of which carries a band of music. A city ordinance prohibits music in connection with street edvertising, and it is to these perambulators only that the veto applies. Mr. Barnum was seen at the Murray Hill Hotel yesterday. He "Why, I am very sorry that this should be printed in this way, for the parade will take ce and on the date already announced. This restriction applies only to our advertising magons, and that it does apply to them is no surprise to me, because Mayor Hewitt told me the ago that he did not like them and would not permit their use." At the Madison would not permit their use." At the manson Square Garden office of the circus it was learned that this difficulty in respect to the band charlots was not a novel one, but that in the end they were usually made use of. Here, too, the reporter was assured that "the New York Aldermen would as soon think of stopping Fourth of July as the Barnum parade."

"Of course there isn't anything in it," said Manager Martin W. Hanley of Harrigan's theatre, "but it was a curious coincident. A week ago last Wednesday night during the porformance of "Peto," William West had his wasal earnest wrestling match with Dan Collyer, who acts the crazy negress. In letting himself be thrown West broke his log, and is now at home tedlously abed with it o limb in plaster. Now, here in this newspaper is an item saying that William West, the English actor, died on Wednesday within an hour of the time when our William West, the English actor, deat. The English Mr. West was 93, and that is old enough to die normally, and I don't suppose that his demise brought a mishap to his namesake here, but it was curious, wasn't fir"

Tragedian Daniel Bandmann says that in his portrayal of Dr. Jekull and Mr. Hyde at Niho's in March he will undertake to represent the double man as described by Savenson in the story. There will be a radical difference in the aspect of Dr. Jekull and Mr. Hyde. The good Doctor will be a joyal, engaging fellow, in much greater distinction from his evil self than Biotard Mansfeld has been able to show. There will be much interest to see how nearly Mr. Bandmann can realize his plan.

The Order of Eiks feels scandalized by the fact that fickets to its reception hast Sunday sealing were sold on the sidewalk by speculators. No such violation of the lodge's intention had been anticipated. The discovery was not made until too late to learn which sents had been sold, and therefore the members who had turned their tickets over to the speculators have not been identified. Manager Rosenquest of the Fourteenth Street Theatre, where the entertainment was given, says that nobody connected with the house had anything whatever to do with the poddling.

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The last performance this season in town by Dockstader's Minstrels will be given to-day and to-morrow. The organization will go intent on a long tour of the country, beginning in Providence next week, extending neross the country to California, and ending at the home thours in September. During two years these minstrels have maintained a high order of entertainment at their Breadway house, and have demonstrated the feusibility of permanent segro minstrelsy in town. Their prevent season has lasted six months, and their success in the great metropolis, like that of the stock companies of the Madison's quare, the Lyceum, and Dalv's, will recommend them to exceedingly profitable audiences out of lown. That is the temptation which takes them away on so long a journey. Mr. Dockstader is original in all things. While in New York he has second bill posting and has made his announcements in the advertising columns of newspapers. Nor will his route be placarded with the gorgeous dithographs which ones commanded wondering attention, but have of late become too common to be very valuable. He has had a large number of life-size silhouettes made in portraiture of his principal performers, and these are as artistic in execution as they are striking in design. They ought to make people's eyes stare. Dockstader's Theatre has been leased for two months to Mrs. Jennie Kinball, mother of little Corinne, and this little actress and vocalist will occupy it at the head of a farcical and musical entertainment.

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A recent letter from Paris contains a description by one Agoust of his experiences while travelling with the Hanlon brothers. He says that when the brother Thomas fell and hurt himself at Cincinnati he was connelled by his brothers to go on with his performances in spite of his severe injuries, and that finally, in constant the severe injuries, and that finally, in constant, This letter is answered in an episite that fairly bristles with anger, and signed "Hanlon Brothers." A gentleman who was at one time ponsected with the management of the Hanlon Stothers." A gentleman who was at one time ponsected with the management of the Hanlons when there were six of them, said to a SUN

reporter; "Some of the Accest statements are correct, but that about the brothers jumping upon Thomas's injured head is ridiculous, and I know that it is not correct. Neither did Thomas become insane in a few months; it was nearer three years, if my memory serves me, and it usually does."

In Simmends & Brown's theatrical agency is a remarkable collection of pictures. There are few less than 500 of them, and they are all in one large frame. They are portraits of actors and actresses, now dend. Though it is only a few years since Col. Brown commenced collecting them, he has many old ones, some showing that they ante-date many not very new improvements in the art of photographing. The cards are trimmed down as small as possible to save space, and are then numbered, placed within the frame, and added to a catalogue. Should any one wish to determine whose a certain picture is, reference to the catalogue by the picture's number will at once give the desired information. Or, if a certain person's picture is to be looked for, another catalogue, arranged alphabetically, will give its number, if it is in the collection, and it generally is. Upon the death of any one of note in the profession, a picture is secured for this exhibit.

LORD LANSDOWNE'S SPEECH. He is Pleased with the Fisheries Treaty-

Conciliating Manitoba, OTTAWA, Feb. 23.-At 3 P. M. to-day the Governor-General opened the second session of the sixth Parliament of Canada with the following speech:
"Gentlemen of the House of Commons: It

affords me much gratification to meet you once more at the commencement of the Parliamentary session, and to congratulate you upon the general prosperity of the country. Although the labors of the husbandman have not been rewarded in some portions of the Dominion by adequate return, the harvest of last year has on the whole been plenteous, while in Manitoba and the Northwest territories it was one of remarkable abundance.

The negotiations between her Majesty's Government and that of the United States for an adjustment of what is known as 'the fishery question' have, I am pleased to inform you, resulted in a treaty which will, I venture to hope, be considered by you as honorable and satisfactory to both nations. The treaty, with papers and correspondence relating thereto, will be laid before you and you will be invited to adopt a measure to give effect to its provisions. been rewarded in some portions of the Domin-

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"The extension and development of our system of railways have not only rendered necessary additional safeguards for life and property, but have given greater frequency to the questions in which the interests of rival companies are found to be in conflict, and to require authoritative adjustment. As further legislation appears to be needed for those purposes a measure will be submitted to you for consideration and the improvement of the Hailway net. Experience having shown that amendments are required to make the provisions of the net respecting the elections of members of the House of Commons more effective and more convenient in operation, you will be asked to consider a measure for the amendment of that statute.

"The act respecting controverted elections may likewise require attention with a view to the removal of certain questions of interpretation which have arisen, and which should be set at rest.

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"My Government has availed itself of the opportunity afforded by the recess to consider numerous suggestions which have been made for improving the details of the act respecting the elective franchise, and a measure will be submitted to you for the purpose of simplifying the law and greatly lessening the cost of its operation. The growth of the Northwest territories renders expedient an improvement in the system of government and legislation affecting these portions of the Dominion, and a bill for that purpose will be laid before you. A bill will be submitted to you to make the larger portion of the modern laws of England applicable to the province of Manitoba and to the Northwest territories in regard to matters which have not as yet been made the subject of Canadian legislation. Among other measures bills will be presented to you relating to the judiciary, the civil service, and to the audit of public accounts.

"The accounts for the past year will be laid before you, as well as estimates for the ensuing year. They have been prepared with due regard to economy and the requirements of the public service. I commend these important subjects and all matters affecting public interests which may be brought before you to your best consideration, and I feel assured that you will address yourselves to them with earnestness and assiduity."

Both in the lobbies of the Senate and House of Commons the fisheries treaty is the chief topic. The Government supporters contend that a good bargain has been made, while the epposition maintain that it has been a complete surrender of Canada's rights. It is evident that the treaty in the House will resolve itself into a party issue. The Conservatives or Government supporters hold that by the new treaty American fishermen will be shut out of some of the most valuable bays in which they have herefore followed the fisheries without inter

last year for the protection fleet which will be put in commission in May.

The Ottawa Journal, one of the Government organs, thus refers to Canada's bargain:

"The treaty is a signal triumph for the Dominion. Every important contention made by her in the dispute has been admitted while nothing seems to have been sacrificed. The new treaty will be an eye opener to the New English fish pirates, and it is ten to one there will be a howl from Gloucester against its ratification."

This expression of opinion fairly reflects the opinion of the majority of both Houses, and in well-informed circles it is believed that this majority will reach from 45 to 50 out of a House of 215 members when the treaty comes were restricted in the contraction of the contractio House of 215 members when the treaty comes up for ratification.

The state dinner to-night at Rideau Hall was a brilliant affair. The Marchioness of Lansdowne was "at home" from 9 to 11 to the ladies of the gentlemen entertained at the dinner by Lord Lansdowne.

215 TONS OF COAL FOR THE POOR. The Sun Readers of the Retail Coal Exchange Know How to Celebrate.

The members of the Retail Coal Exchange had a very jolly time at their first annual dinner, at Morello's, in East Twenty-ninth street. last evening. One hundred gentlemen sat down at three long tables in the long dining room at 9 o'clock. It was 11 when President Thomas Theaford

rapped for order and responded very briefly to

the toast, "The Exchange." He introduced the Rev. W. C. Steele of the Charity Organization Society, who spoke to the toast, "Charity." Mr. Steele said that he was glad that the Ex-Mr. Steele said that he was glad that the Exchange had allowed him to respond to his toast by announcing the noble gift of the members of the Exchange of 216 tons of coal to the poor. It gave him pleasure formally to present the coal to Mr. Longworth of the Seciety for the Improvement of the Condition of the Foor.

Mr. Longworth thanked the members of the Exchange for their gift, and assured them that it would be worthly expended.

Mr. Charles A. Dana spoke to the toast "The Press," and was received with uproarious applause. Ho said that a proposition had been made to him that if a speaker who was to follow him might abuse the press, he might abuse the coal barons as much as he liked. But a man would be a fool to abuse the coal barons who had not laid in his supply of coal for next year. Mr. Dana hoped that the coal men might all serve he public better, and might all make a great deal more money themselves. Their charity proved that they understood the uses and value of money.

Three cheers were given for Mr. Dana when he sat down and three more for The Sun.

"Every man here takes The Sun, Mr. Dana," shouled one enthusiastic coal dealer.

Mr. J. D. K. Crook responded to the toast, "The Coal Baron," and the Hon. Mahlon Chance to the tast, "Coal—the Great Civilizer." Other speeches were made by W. D. Pawnell, John F. Baker, J. Samuel Smoot, and Thomas E. Bishop. change had allowed him to respond to his

An Actress Sues Mrs. Langtry.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 .- Miss Nodage Dorée, whom Mrs. Langtry recently discharged from "her company," to-day flied a suit in the Circult Court against the Jersey Lily to recover \$1,000 damages for alleged breach of contract. \$1.000 damages for alloged breach of contract. Mias Dorée says she was engaged to play "inventies." in support of Mrs. Langury, for the entire season of thirty-six weeks, at a salary of \$50 a week. When she was summarily dismissed from her position there still remained fourteen weeks of the season, and it is for her salary for that length of time she sues. The cause of Miss Dorée's dismissal was her refusal to assume the part of Princess Anne in "Lady Clancarty,"

Letter Stampers Strike in Chicago CHICAGO, Feb. 23 .- Thirty letter stampers in the general Post Office went on strike to day because they were compelled to stamp third and fourth class mail matter on Washington's Birthday. They say that under the Civil Service law they are exempt from this kind of work, and rather than submit to what they think an imposition they struck. Their places were immediately filled with new men. The rest of the stampers and mallers now threaten to quit work at noon to-morrow if the old man are not taken back.

NAMPSON BRATS CAHILL. A Battling Contest Between Two Clev

The championship boxing contest between the championship boxing contest between the amateur light weights, Ed Cahill of the Scottish-American Athletic Club of Jersey City and J. J. Sampson of the Pastime Athletic Club of New York, which was stopped by the police some weeks ago, was finished in Brooklyn last night. The boxers met with four-ounce gloves for a gold medal. The contest was to have been three rounds, but the men fought so evenly and well that Judges Camancho and Turnbull asked Referee Austin to order the set-to continued. Three extra rounds of two minutes each were boxed, when the decision was ren-

dered in favor of Sampson. Before the event of the evening P. O'Keefe of the Pastime Athletic Club, last year's middleweight amateur champion, and the 1887 ama-

the Pastime Athletic Club. last year's middleweight amateur champion, and the 1987 amateur light-weight champion. J. Barry, boxed
three rounds, as did Fred Sherry and Louis
Niebur. The set-to between G. Stebbins and D.
O'Leary was a hot and heavy one.

Sampson looked a little the larger and
stronger as Hilly Robertson called time. Cahill acted on the defensive, and Sampson went
in at once with both hands. Cahill got in two
neat left-hand counters on his opponent's
stomach. Sampson kert back a second, but
soon resumed his rushing. Cahill did some
protty dedging, and administered some severs
face punishment. One of his blows brought a
little stream of blood from the Pastime's man's
nose. Then came two tremendons rallies in
one corner of the ring, in which first one and
then the other got a bit the worst of it. The
round ended with Cahill a little in the lead.

In the second round Sampson made the pace.
The men hit oach other all over the side of the
ring, and some desperate exchanges in the
centre ended in both going down. They were
on their feet in no time. Sampson rushed his
man to the ropes, but Cahill staggered him
with a punch in the pit of the stomach. One
blow from Cahill's left was neatly dodged, and
Sampson sending in a great right-hander at
the moment, knocked Cahill flat. He got up in
less than five seconds, but was very dizzy.

The third round was one of desperate slagsing. Cahill led first, to the surprise of all.
There were desperate exchanges of which
Sampson seemed to get the better, and Cahill
was glad to duck his head to avoid the
swinging left-handers of Sampson in the fourth
round. Cahill was knecked down again in the
fifth round, and another two-minute round
was ordered, a stream of blood poured
over his face and breast, and discolored even
Cahill during the rest of the contest.

Cahill seemed stronger toward the finish of
the fifth round, and another two-minute round
was ordered, although Cahill tried to pull of
the glove.

Mike Cushing Defeats Jim Liddy of New Jersey in an Eight-round Fight. TBOY, Feb. 23 .- Mike Cushing, the Brooklyn light weight, now a resident of this city, easily disposed of Jim Liddy of New Jersey in skin-glove fight to a finish near this city this norning. The ring was pitched in the ballroom of a country hotel, and about 150 persons paid \$5 each admission. There was little trouble in he selection of a referee and time keepers, and at 2:05 the men entered the ring. Liddy was, if anything, trained a little too fine, and, although several inches taller than Cushing, did not

anything, trained a little too fine, and, although several inches taller than Cushing, did not weigh so much by four pounds. The fight was under the Queensberry rules, and it was for blood from the outset.

When the word was given the men sprang forward, clasped hands, and retired a few seconds. Then Liddy began the attack on Cushing's head and face. Several of his blows fell short, but it was seldom'he eecaped a heavy counter on the neck or ribs. Two rounds of this kind of fighting had a bad effect on the New Jersey representative, and in the third round he assumed the defensive. Cushing smilled confidently and made a rush, and, planting his right on Liddy's law, sent him spinning around on his heels. But when Cushing attempted to repeat the dose Liddy dodged cleverly, and Cushing butted his own bead against the wall, being unable to stop himself after making the pass.

In the fourth, fifth, and sixth rounds it was give and take, but Liddy's blows seemed to have little effect, and beyond a slight abrasion on the neck and a puffed cheek, Cushing was without a mark. Liddy, however, was covered with blood, which trickled from his nose and lips, and one eye was about closed.

In the seventh round Liddy was weak on his pins, but very game, and clinched to avoid punishment. In the eighth round Cushing knocked his adversary down three times in quick order, and as the Jerseyman was unable to rise after the third, the battle was awarded to Cushing. The spectators were satisfied, and arrived here on their return at 4 oclock. Cushing is in prime shape, and some of his friends want him to meet one of the cracks. It will be remembered that he fought thirty-fre hard rounds, many of them with his right arm broken, with Jack Hopper at Excelsior Grove on the Hudson last April.

SYMPOSIUM OF SECTS.

Assorted Clergymen Exchange Views at the Nineteenth Century "Sectarianism" was the subject discussed

at Mr. Courtlandt Palmer's Nineteenth Century Club, in the Metropolitan Opera House Assembly Rooms last evening. The Rev. Theodore C. in part: The Church will grow only by renouncing

the sword of Peter. If wealth comes to rule the churches in America, workingmen will rise in protest, and the Knights of Labor or the Anti-Poverty Society will appeal to the religious sentiment, and a new Church will be he result. As to the superstitious use of the the result. As to the superstitious use of the Bible, in the hands of the ignorant it is a folly. Half of the sectarian quarrels are founded on misconception of Bible truths. It is one of the happiest signs of the times that the Protestant superstition about the Bible is declining."

The Rev. Dr. J. H. Itiyance of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church said: "I hope there will be a school of logic in heaven for the cultivation of what Matthew Arnold called the gift of sweet reasonableness. It is a divine gift, and it is sadly needed in the sects.

The Rev. Dr. R. L. Burtsell of the Epiphany Roman Catholic Church read a paper, in which he defined the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church toward sects. There was but one Church, and that was the Catholic Church, he said. It had but one head, all sectarianism was rejected by the Church. The Church was authoritative in saying that persons not belonging to it are either out of from salvation or are saved because they belong to the Church Invisible.

Mr. Star H. Nichola said that the verdict of the world as to the respective merits of all the religious sects is, not proven. Bible, in the hands of the ignorant it is a folly.

The President in Florida.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Feb. 23 .- The President and party, after a close inspection of the Sub-Tropical Exposition this morning, came to this city on a special train as the guests of H. M. Flagier, who accommanied the party. The run was made without stop or incident in fifty minutes. At St. Augustine the party was escorted through brilliantly and artistically decorated streets, past the old fort San Marco, the Plaza de la Constitution, and all the hotels, by a delegation of citizons, firemen, and other organizations to the hotel Ponce de Leon, where there was a reception by the local military and 200 children in holiday attire. In accordance with the President's request there were no formal ceramonies. The party was assigned to the elegant apartments in the palatial Oriental hostelry. After a rest a tour of the points of interest in and near the city was made, and there was a public reception in the evening. To-morrow the party will visit Palatka and Indian Hiver, returning to Jaeksonville tonight. The weather is bright and halmy. Before the President inspected the Exposition this morning an orange tree, covered with blossoms and containing about 100 oranges, had been placed near the platform which Mrs. Cleveland assended, and she enjoyed for the first time the experience of plucking orange blossoms and oranges from the tree. She tossed to the President the first orange she picked, but his hands were not quick enough and he caught it on his nose. She offered him another, but he declined, saying that a man got into trouble a long time age by accepting fruit plucked and offered by a woman. streets, past the old fort San Marco, the Plazz

The Color Liue in the P. E. Church.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 22.-A meeting of secoding delegates from the last Episcopai Diocesan Convention was held here to-day to agree upon a plan of campaign. The bone of contention is the negro in the church. At the last Convention Bishop Howe ruled that clerical delegates were entitled to seats without examination into their credentials. This ruling admitted the colored rector of St. Mark's Church, a congregation composed of the elite colored people of the city. Thereupon between thirty and forty delegates and several clergymen seceded from the Convention. The Convention meets again in May, and the conference was to agree upon a plan to be pursued. The proceedings were secret, but it is said that the seceders will stand firm. They represent a large majority of the lay delegates to the Convention. The conference appointed a committee to conference appointed a committee to conference. tion Bishop Howe ruled that clerical delegates

NEWS FROM THE OLD WORLD.

CAUSES OF THE CEAR'S OPPOSITION TO PRINCE FERDINAND.

Husein Explains Her Attitude—Extertionate Irish Lanulords—Hopeini News from the Crown Prince—Premier Tirard Wins. ST. PRIERSBURG, Feb. 23 .- The Official Messenger says that recent private telegrams have asserted that Count von Schouvaloff, the Russian Ambassador at Berlin, has submitted proposals to Germany regarding Bulgaria. To correctly judge the present state of affairs, it says, it is necessary to recall Bussia's original views concerning Bulgaria. The Berlin treaty

forms the basis of the order of things estab-lished in the Balkans in pursuance of the powers' understanding and constitutes the only international guarantee against convulsions dangerous to the tuture of the young Balkan States. From this point of view Russia regarded the events that have occurred in Bulgaria since Prince Alexander abdicated the throne. Prince Ferdinand's arrival and his forcible ascumption of princely power infringed upon the Berlin treaty. For this reason Russia refused to recognize the legality of Prince Ferdinand's rule and tried to induce the other Cabinets to express the same view. In accordance with a unanimous desire to terminate the existing alarming condition of affairs, Russia considered it her duty to again of affairs, Russia considered it her duty to again try to obtain from the powers an affirmation of the inviolability of the treaty and the necessity of restoring the legal status in Bulgaria. The natural consequence of such a deciaration by the powers must be the making of representations at Constantinopie to induce the Sultan to convince the Bulgarian peonle that the person now bearing the title of Frince is not their legal ruler, but merely a robber of power.

According to Russia's tiews, the initiative for such deciarations belongs to the Sultan, whose sovereign rights the illegality of Sofia immediately affects. Without enticipating the future, and in order to dispel any doubts concerning Russia's objects and intentions, it is unnecessary to concest the mode of action which she is firmly resolved to adopt in the event of the removal of the reasons causing a continuance of the crisis. Bulgaria owes her existence to Russia's sacrifices and efforts. Russia, therefore, alone continues to sympathize with her and grieve at her trials. Itussia is equally alouf from prejudice and partiality. She does not think it compatible with her dignity to interfere in Bulgaria's internal disputes, yet she does not entertain the idea of making any one responsible for the past.

Bussia will consider an avowal of aberrations as a pledge of a change for the better. Russia solely desires Bulgaria's welfare and will, after the usurper's removal, a wait the first sincere declaration of the Bulgarians through their representatives, in order to consign the past to oblivion and provide for the reestabilishment of relations based upon mutual confidence. In this Russia has no intention to prejudice in any way the liberty of the Bulgarians, which the treaty secured to them in all internal affairs.

Until the removal of the usurper Russia will continue to regard the situation as filegal, retaining the conviction that in such removal iles the most efficacious means of insuring general tranquillity.

London Feb. 23.—In the House of Lords this try to obtain from the powers an affirmation of the inviolability of the treaty and the necessity

BACK RENTS IN IRELAND. Balfour Objects to Relieving the Overbur burdened Tenants.

LONDON, Feb. 23 .- The debate on the ad-

dress in roply to the Queen's speech was resumed in the House of Commons to-night. Mr. Shaw-Lefevre (Liberal) movet an amend ment affirming the necessity of a measure Ireland. He charged Mr. Balfour, Chief Secre Ireland. He charged Mr. Ballour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, with using all the forces of the Government in favor of landlords like Clanricards, who, he said, were oppressors of the tenants.

Mr. Ballour reminded the House that fair rents had been fixed by the tribunals tince the set of 1881 went into operation. Mr. Shaw-Lefevre, he said, was unreasonable to demand that the tonants be relieved from arrears arising under terms so fixed.

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ar, snaw-Lefevre replied that in many cases the arrears had not arisen under judicial rents. Only 10 per cent, of the rents on Lord Clanricarde's estate were judicial rents, he said.

Mr. Balfour held that the act of 1881 fully protected the tenants, and that there was no need of new legislation. Mr. Healy and other Parnellies continued the debate.

Mr. Shaw-Lefevre's amendment was rejected by a vote of 261 to 186. The report on the address in reply to the Queen's speech was then adopted.

THE CROWN PRINCE.

He is Stronger and His Case is Progressing Satisfactorily.

LONDON, Feb. 23 .- The British Medical Journal says it has the highest authority for sserting that the German Crown Prince begins to progress satisfactorily. The cause of the recent unfavorable symptoms was mainly mechanical. The first tube used after the performance of tracheotomy did not fit, and there

mechanical. The first tube used after in performance of tracheotomy did not fit, and there was some delay in obtaining a second one. The local irritation has now subsided. The Prince breathes easily and is able to speak, his voice being strong, but hoarso.

BAN ERMO, Feb. 23.—A bulletin issued this morning says: The Crown Prince did not have quite so good a night last night, because of a silght increase of irritation in the trachea."

The Crown Prince apceared this afternoon on the balcony of his vilia for the first time since the operation was performed.

The Crown Prince was permitted to remain on the balcony of his vilia for the first time since the operation was performed.

The Crown Prince was permitted to remain on the balcony of his vilia for the first time of Wales and the Duke of Hesse to-day went on a trip to Barbarico.

The Crown Prince has passed a satisfactory day in all respects, and is considerably better. Dr. Mackenzie expresses himself as being exceedingly hopeful about his patient, and says the Prince reads, talks, and takes an interest in everything going on around him. The Prince has not yet been told of the death of his nophew. Prince Louis of Eaden, because it is feared that the news would have an injurious effect upon him.

The corporation of San Remo propose to confer the freedom of the town upon Dr. Muchenzie.

· IN ABYSSINIA AT LAST. The Italians, Climbing the Mountains, Find the Enemy has Retrented, ROME, Feb. 23 .- A despatch from Massowah says that the Italian troops have advanced to Ghinda, and that they found Ras Alula and

his army had evacuated the place.

This despatch indicates that the Italian forces are at last seeking the Abyssinians to give them battle. Ghinds is about three-fourths the way up the mountain road leading from Saati to the plateau, and is only about twolve miles from Asmara, the first Abyssinian town on the high lands on the road to Adua, the headquasters of King John. It was reported several days ago that Ras Alula was lard at work fortifying Asmara. His evacuation of Chinda would seem to indicate either that he intends to give the Italians battle at the town which he is said to have been fortifying, or that the Abyssinian plan of campaign contemplates conveiling the invaders to journey a considerable distance inland, getting them further away from their base of supplies at Sasti, with which there is connection only by very bad roads, or rather foot paths. The northern plateau, to which the Italians are secretaing, is quite tainly populated, and there is no chance for the invaders to draw any part of their supplies from the country. The Italians at Ghinda are in Abyssinian territory about twenty miles further inland than they have been before since they occupied Massowah. wolve miles from Asmara, the first Abyssinian

A Victory for Tirard. PARIS, Feb. 23 .- In the Chamber of Deprans, Feb. 23.—In the Chamber of Deputies Premier Tirard declared that he would regard the vote on the clause in the budget resisting to the secret service as a question of confidence in the Ministry. He said that there were certain precautions necessary in the government of the country, especially as regards espionase, which it was essential not to abandon as a means of national defence.

The clause was adopted by a vote of 248 to 220. DUSKY MASQUERADERS.

Last Night's Spiendid Balt of the New York Sportlag Clob. The bler ballroom of Wendel Assembly Rooms, in West Forty-fourth street, presented a scone of exhibitating frolic last night, when the annual masquerade of the New York Sporting Club was in the full tide of success. The masquerade of this club has come to be an event of very considerable moment in the clite circles of colored society, and awakens the same popular interest that the Arion and Circle de l'Harmonie balls excite among the citizens of the town.

Several, hundred coaches rattled up to the baliroom entrance, and colored swells in swal-low tails and magnificent badges awaited their coming, and gallantly escorted to the ballroom the costly clothed belies as they arrived. The ballroom was gayly decked for the mas-querade, and the name of the club glowed in letters of fire upon the wall. A good many white gentiemen obtained choice seats at a big premium to leisurely enjoy the glittering spec-tacle.

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Rich and unique costumes met the eye on Rich and. They were worn by maskers of every hand. They were worn by maskers of every hand. Social Club of Jersey City, the Rich and unique costumes met the eye on every hand. They were worn by maskers of the Stramers' Social Club of Jersey City, the St. George League, the General Order of Odd Feliows, the Rhode Island Rod and Gun Club, the White Hamburgh Club, the Coaciman's League, and the Railrond Porters. Twenty-five colored belies in a group represented the Court of Louis AV.; a dozen shapely ectoroons created a genuine' sensation by marching in in a body in short driesses, representing the colors of the twelve leading sensition by marching in in a body in short driesses, representing the colors of the twelve leading sensition by marching in in a body in short driesses, representing the colors of the twelve leading sensition by an arching base Ball Nine nerived. clad in blue satin, and carrying bate decked with satin ribbons, and bases made of blue sating and lined with white watered silk.

Prosident James T. Delph's solitaire shirt stud brilliantly illuminated the scene whenever he moved. His courtly carriage charmed the belles. These were some of the prettiest maskers:

Mrs S. R. Broadard in black ribing habit with dia-

Mrs. S. R. Broadard in black riding habit with dinmond tipped riding whip, Mrs. Lee Allen as a Spanish
syrsy. Mrs. Alice Jones as a Gypsy Queen. Mrs. Jennie
kevser as a filtere Lorillard jonkey. Miss Jessel Jones
in blue satin with a low corange. Miss Lucy. Smith in
lack silk dording with allow corange. Miss Lucy. Smith in
lack silk dording with allow personnels and diamonds,
Mrs. Laura Linn in a satin robe representing the Stars
and Stripes, wiss Josephine Roberts in flowing doluting
of French tray ladin and solitaire carrings. Miss Evdis
Flunce in black loce frimmed with cut, roses, Miss Mary
Contion in a gown of Nile green satin, and Miss Maud
Spear as Little Red Riding Hood.

At 145 o'clock a goold watch valued at \$150

Spear as Little Red Riding Hood.

At 1% o'clock a gold watch valued at \$150 was presented to the most handsomely costumed masker, and at 2 o'clock the maskers all went to "A European supper," served by the Sporting Club's Rhode Island eaterer.

Pretending to be Harry Beecher, and Or-

A young fellow, who said he was Harry Beecher, grandson of Henry Ward Beecher and Captain of the Yale football team, went into E. A. Newell's furnishing goods store, 859 Broadway, on last Saturday, said that he had estimates of several firms of what it would cost to rig out the team in silk quarter sleeve undershirts and stockings, and wanted Mr. Newell's shirts and stockings, and wanted Mr. Newell's prices. Samples of the articles required were in stock, and it was figured out that the cost for the cleven would be \$490. The customer said that he was satisfied, but that the boys might not be. He ordered two sets sent to the Windsor Hotel to be inspected. The two sets were done up, but he appeared so anxious to carry the bundles himself that Mr. Newell half suspected that something was wrong, and sent the bundles in the delivery wagon, with instructions to the hotel clerk. The swindler was not smart enough to get the bundles out of the Windsor, so on Tuesday they were returned to Mr. Newell, with the information that no such person as Harry Beecher was at the hotel.

The spurigos Beecher has tried the same game unsuccessfully at McCreery's. The police are looking for him. He has curly hair and a flat nose.

THEY WANT TO SEE THE WHITE FATHER Sloux Chick Enraged Because They Are

Porbidden to Travel. ST. PAUL, Feb. 23 .- The Sioux Indians of he Cheyenns Agency are incensed. For weeks they have been arranging to visit Washington to investigate the Dawes bill. A council had to investigate the Dawes bill. A council had been held, chipfs appointed, and Feb. 25 designated as the time to start. An order now comes from Commissioner Upshaw not to allow the Indians to leave the reservation.

Crow Eagle, a brilliant chief, in a council held to-day, denounced the action of the department, saying: "We have \$1,000 to pay our expenses, and ask nothing from the White Father. We cannot see why he refuses to grant us thist permit." He was followed by White Swan and Spotted Eagle, who also manifested displeasure. Agent McChisney is strongly in favor of letting the Indians visit Washington, as it will sessit toward securing their signatures. Another effort will be made to secure the permit.

A Murderer and Desperado in Juli. COLUMBIA, Feb. 23 .- B. F. Welsh of Laneaster, S. C., is a desperate outlaw. He has killed two men, been implicated in the murder of another, and two years ago attempted to take the life of the Chief Justice of this State. He has always, escaped punishment through the cowardice of the juries, but is now in the hands of the law, where he will probably remain for years unless lynchers get hold of him. Weish's wife, mother, and father appealed to the Court for protection from him. They told the most horrible tale of brutality perpetrated by Weish. With pistols at their heads and knives at their throats he had terrorized them for months. His treatment of his wife cannot be told in print. When the people of Lancaster heard these things they demanded that he be placed in jail and kept there until trial. In default of \$3,000 bond Weish went to jail. Lancaster is greatly excited to-night, and lynching is talked of. the cowardice of the juries, but is now in the

Ills Wedding Trip Spotled.

CINCINNATI., Feb. 23 .- Mr. Joseph Schaefer, leaf tobacco warehouseman, of Dayton, was here to-day looking for Isaac Wallenstein, who here to-day looking for Isaac Wallenstein, who a few days ago presented to Mr. Schnefer for discount three notes of the Enterprise Carriage Company of this city, aggregating \$1.825. Mr. Schnefer discounted them, and was alterward informed that the notes were forgeries. Mr. Wallenstein's farents said Isaac was in Dayton. They could only account for his conduct by the fact that he was soon to wed a wealthy Jewess of Dayton, and needed money to propare for a proposed European wedding tour. Wallenstein was arrested.

Die Lordship was Very Drunk.

LONDON, Feb. 23 .- In the case of Lord Howard De Walden against Major Burrowes for assault, physicians testified to-day that Lord Howard, at the time of the assault, ap-Lord Howard, at the time of the assault, appeared to be shurated with drink. Lady De Walden was suffering from peritonitis at the time, and her, life was hanging by a thread. His lordship was warned not to latrade in his wife's bedroom. The Duke of Portland deposed that Major Burrows, in his presence, obtained a promise from he Walden that he would not disturb Lady De Walden. The magistrate said the assault was a serious one, and that the case must be sent to the jury. The court was crowded with an aristocratic assemblage.

Turned Out of Their Homes,

Dunlin, Feb. 23 .- The eviction of tenants on the Ponsonby estate at Youghal has been unexpectedly resumed. A large military and police force, accompanied by a doctor and ar police force, accompanied by a doctor and an ambulance, and a lire engine, escorted the bailiffs who want to-day to execute the writs of eviction. A number of battering rams and sledge hammers were carried for the purpose of fording an extrance into the house of any tenant who offered resistance. The tenants were taken completely by surprise, and only one family succeeded in barricading themselves in their house, which was only captured after strong registance. There were several other exciting scenes. The police made many arrests.

Betrothed to Their Royal Cousins, LONDON, Feb. 23 .- It is reported that the Prince of Wales, on the occasion of his aliver wedding banquet, will announce the betrothal of Prince Albert Victor to his cousin Princess Alexandra of Greece, and the betrothal of Princess Victoria to the Duke of Sparta, the Crown Prince of Greece.

The Trini of Grevy's Son-in-Law. . Pants, Feb. 28.-At the trial of M. Wilson to day the counsel for the defence urged that the prosecu-tion of kis client arose out of political motives, and that there was no proof that money had been paid for decon-tions. He alludes on a feeling manner to the grief and sufferings brought on M. Gravy through the altacks made upon his son-in-law. Judgment was postposed.

The Queen in London. LONDON. Fold 23.—Queen Victoria came to London to-day. Her Majesty drove across liyde Perk in an open carriage. She received many salutes from the people.

Mrs. Carfield Coming Home. LONDON, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Garfield left Bourne mouth to-day. She will sall for New York on the steam ship Trave, which issues Southampton to-morrow. Discovery of a Comet.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A comet was discovered in Days Colony on Sunday last. It is now visible at Mal-source and in New Scaland.

HOW WAS MES. DODGE HURT!

Her Husband Throw Hot Ten on Ror, b Soon after 7 o'clock on Sunday morning Mrs. John Dodge ran out of her house in Westville, L. L. crying bitterly, and with her fac badly scalded. She went to the house of James Andrews, a neighbor, and said her husband had pulled her hair out, and she was afraid he would kill her. She visited other neighbors, and told them the same story. In the afternoon she was taken with convulsions, and until yesterday was unconscious, except at short inter-

Mrs. Dodge's relatives and some of the neighbors hinted that she had been wilfully injured by her husband. She has been married to him five years and is his second wife. Both are about 50 years of age. They have not lived happily for a long time, and it is said had not spoan to each other for several months. Mr. Dodge, who is a housemover and carpenter, with a good reputation for sobriety and honesty, said that on Sunday morning Mrs. Dodge, having found in his pocket a Christmas card signed "Annie," which he says came from a 13-year-old relative, accused him of being intimate with some woman besides herself, and when he denied it throw the rolling pin at him and then grabbed him by the hair. He threw a cup of hot tea at her over his head and scalded her. She seized him by the throat and tried to choke him, but he wrenched himself loose and shook her a little. She ran out and he went away to business.

Yesterday Mrs. Dodge told her husband that she was taken with convuisions while going up stairs and fell to the bottom. Dr. Schmuck said yosterday that the woman was suffering from a severe shock of some sort, but he thought she might now recover. In her delirium she would cry out, "Don't let him hurt me," but since recovering consciousness she seems glad to have her husband by her, and he remains with her all the time and begs her to forgive him. by her husband. She has been married to him

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RIOTOUS CIGARMARERS.

Evenings are Made Lively New for Capt.

Gunser's Policemes.

At 5 o'clock last evening Police Captain John Gunner with a squad of men marched to Sutro & Newmark's eigar factory, at Seventythird street and second avenue, as he has done since the boginning of the strike, to see that the new hands were protested. At 5:30 Detective Campbell left the factory with a young girl, one of the new hands, to escort her home. On their appearance on the street, who is a brother of the dead reas contained in the hat.

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Artist Dewing hurried to Hariem to Information the Union Trust Compan n young girl, one of the new hands, to escort her home. On their appearance on the street the windows in the tenements were thrown open and cries of "Eably scall" were heard on all sides. About 3,000 men and women congregated in the street. The women, as a rule, carried bables. Sticks and atones were thrown at the police. Cant. Gunner and his men charged the crowd, dodging the women with bables, and arrested Herman Longfellow, Lena Fishman, and Charles Baum for riotous behavior. They were bailed. As the two left the stationshouse Capt. Gunner stopped them and said:

"I'll be at the factory with my men to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, and I want you to explain to your friends in their language that I'll be ready for them. If they don't see fit to obey the law, I'll compel them to do so. I'll follow them into their houses, if need be, and, mark my words. I'll stop these riots and rascally goings on."

Mr. Benson will Probably Got his Children WATERBURY, Feb. 23 .- William H. Benson the Brooklyn restaurant keeper, who shot at his wife here on Feb. 3, when she attempted to prevent him from abducting their eleven-yeartwo detectives, and since then has been shadowing the woman at her apartments in Kingsbury street. Last night at 11 o'clock, in company with City Sheriff McDonald, Benson demanded admittance to the house which he had provided for hor and found the woman in a compromising position. Her paramour, John Davoy, fied to a closet in the attic floor, but was arrested. The evidence was not sufficient to hold Devoy, but Benson's suspicions that the woman was unfaithful to him were fully vertiled. The three children, of which Judge Troy gave her the custody, will probably be reclaimed by the father. two detectives, and since then has been shadow-

MONTREAL, Feb. 23 .- An Italian names Graci Torelli entered Notre Dame Church last night, passed down the centre sisle to the railing of the sanctuary, and, alternately kneeling ing of the sanctuary, and alternately kneeling and standing, struck his breast with his hands and accused himself of murder. Dr. Brennan of Notre Dame Hospital was called, and he declared the man insane. Dr. Bouchard this morning made an official examination, with the same result. Meanwhile Detective Carpenter had telegraphed to Inspector Byrnes of New York, and received a reply that the Italian was wanted in New York for a murder committed last year, and asking that the man be held until an officer would arrive.

Epidemic in the Riding Club's Stables.

It was stated at the New York Riding Club in East Fifty-eighth street yesterday that the epidemic among the horses of the institution was considerably abated. The disease is spinal meningitis, and was first discovered early this week. Among the horses saled early this week. Among the horses seized were those of W. C. Iselin, H. W. T. Hurst, Brayton Ives, George F. Baker. Anson Phelps Stokes, A. H. Sands, Dr. Cornelius Agnéw, Cornelius N. Bliss, Dr. A. L. Loomis, F. Payson, and J. H. Barder. Over forty horses were sick at one time.

Three horses have died this week, and a pony of George F. Baker was dying last night.

New Brunswick's Way of Caring for her

New BRUNSWICE. Feb. 23.-The firemen and a large number of leading citizens are selling tickets for an entertainment to be given March 1 for the benefit of firement injured last Saturday. The utmost enthusiasm prevails, and aready \$500 has been collected. Seats have been sold at auction, bringing as high as \$10 apiece, white one man offered \$100 for a box which had been sold for \$25. It is expected that \$2,000 will be realized.

Arrested for Arson.

William Morris was arraigned in the Essex William Morris was arraigned in the Essex Market Court yesterday on a charge of arson. Policoman Dempsey said that on Wednesday night he saw smoke issuing from the Synagogue of The Love of Israel, on the top floor of 32% Ludiow street. The door was locked, and when he burst it open he found Morris within and arrested him. The place was slightly damaged by fire and smoke.

The prisoner, in his defence, said the smoke came from a descrive storepipe. The prisoner was remained to await an investigation by the Fire Marshai.

Judgo Patterson has appointed Dr. Egbert Judgo Fatterson has appointed Dr. Egibert Cuerney, Theodore E. Miller, and Robert A. Chesebrough Commissioners to inquire into the samity of Nicholas de Peyster, whose wife, Marianna Moore de Peyster, says that he is insane. He itses at 28 West Fifteenth street. Brs. Fraser C. Fuller and E. L. Keyos make attiavits that Mr. de Peyster is suffering from hallucinations of persecution, and because of these has concealed weapons of all kinds about him to protect blusself from fancted daugers.

A Queer Go-at-you-can Bace. The prizes of the Washington's Birthday cele-

bration of the Michael Murphy Association of Musketeers were distributed last night at 140 Loopard street, and there was a box of cigars over. Somebody proposed that the four members who had got no prizes should compete for the cigars by a go-as-you-please race up to Forty-second street and back, on foot or by horse car, elevated train, cab, tunnel balloon, or any other wey. elevated train, cab, tunnel balloon, or any other way. It was arranged that one of the runners should take foreadway, a second Third avenue, another Fourth avenue, and another Sixth avenue. There were no time-tempers or judges to decide upon the fairness of the race. All was left to the honor of the contestants, and to the fact that none of them had a cent in his pockets.

They got off a little after b o'clock. According to their own accounts they stracted much attention along the way, being jeered at by crowds and stopped repeatedly by the police, who demanded an explanation. Frank littlinger, who went by Broadway returned several minutes over the role of the strain and been able to beat a ride or strike a citizen for a fore—at least so they said.

Jim Devine Again Knocked Out.

The welter-weight puglilists Jack Masterson and Jim Devine fought four slashing rounds in an out-of-the way barn at Slizabeth yesterday morning. Devine was ferribly punished. He was hit with a straight left hander in the fourth round which caught him right on the point of the was not keeled him over sameless. He had to be taken wand keeled him over sameless. He had to be taken wand keeled him to be a left as the econdition the men have fought to a finish and Masterson has been viotor each time.

The Bicycle Race.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—The following is the score at the end of the fourth day (48 hours): Dingley, 057 miles: Knapp. 047.8: Hollinesworth, 634.6: McDow-ell, 618.3: Ashinger, 678.4: Rhodes, 486; Whittaker, 810.10; Methan, 200.0; Grocker, 162.1.

Sporting Notes. Tommy Miller appeared for the first time since the Spider whipped him, is his beneat in Umaha on Feb. 1s, Fat Killen also sparred.

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Tommy Danforth, the feather weight of Harism, says that he will meet the winner of the Farrell-Havelin contest, or any 125-bound man, give or take two pennia for take a site and an outside pure, either to a finish or a stated number of rounds.

Harry 8. Phillips, Sullivan's manager and backer, informed a Boston Heruid reporter on Wednesday evenformed a Boston Heruid reporter on Wednesday evenformed a Boston Heruid reporter on Wednesday evenformed as the would sail in the Servia on Saturday. He expects to reach Liverpool in ample time for the fight expects to reach Liverpool in ample time for the fight by March 10. In case Mr. Phillips will be ready for the fight by March 10. In case Mr. Phillips wins the cheice of battle ground, he will endeaver to get the fight of outside of Great Britain.

MAJOR OAKEY A SUICIDE

BULLET IN HIS HEAD IN TEXAS

CHARLET'S SHOOTING GALLERY, He Left a Brief Letter Pitying the Sacri-Sees Made by his Wife and Wondering what would Become of his Four Children.

A man with a fine face, iron-gray hair, and eat but rather poor clothes walked into Texas Charley's shooting gallery at 187% Bleecker atreet at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and asked for a 44-calibre revolver. He had prac-tised there before, but the proprietor was sur-prised at a request for so large a pistol, and told him that 22 was the only size he could give him. The visitor took the revolver and shot twice over the long range at a bull's eye target. Then he asked for a rifle and fired wice more. Again he took up the revolver, This time a muffled report attracted the keeper's attention. He looked around to see

the left temple. The Mercer street police were notified. They found in the dead man's pockets nine cents and a scrap of white tea paper, on which was writ-ten in pencil:

the marksman fall to the floor dead-shot in

Such bravery, devotion, and sacrifice, and I unable to Such bravery, devotion, and sacrifice, and I unable to relieve. Why is this? I can't understand it. It was me. She is an angel. Etaine, Dendy, Will, and Mary, what is to become of them? If anything happens tell bewing, 3 North Washington square.

opinion about his brother's act.

President king said that Oakey's accounts were all right.

Coroner Levy's investigation at the police station brought out the fact that Oakey had been in comfortable circumstances, but in land luck of late. Pecuniary embarrassment had preyed upon his mind so long that it had probably upset his renson. The sacrifices he refer to in his note, it was supposed, were made by his wife. The bedy was taken to the family flat at 144 West 105th street.

Oakey was born here in 1843. When the war of the reballion broke out he wanted to enlist here, but his mother, who was a Bostonian induced him to join the Second Massachusetts, Oakey came out of the war with the brevst rank of Major and with half a dozen wounds. He was in Sherman's march to the sea, an account of which he published in the Century three months ago. He joined the Grand Army of the Republic and the Loyal Legion. He retained a fondness for fire arms, and often practised at shooting galleries. Not long ago he gave his son Dandy a leason in the gallery in Bleecker street.

LANCASTER, Feb. 23,-The ice on the Sua-

quehanna at Columbia began moving last night and kept moving for an hour, when it gorged at Turkey Hill. The water rose fourteen age to the Pennsylvania railroad bridge, one pier being shoved eighteen inches out of line. All the lumber yards and mills are flooded, and the Columbia Iron Company has been compelled to suspend until the water subsides The water is higher than for twenty-three years. It will take a tremendous flood to carry the gorzed ice over the dam.

Port Deposit, Md., Feb. 23.—The body of ice between Harrisburg and Columbia, a distance of twenty-eight miles, broke up last night and moved down rapidly. A gorge was formed at Washington, Pa., which attained a height of over thirty feet, covering the tracks of the Columbia and Port Deposit Rallroad Company, which run parallel with the river. One span of their bridge was thrown eighteen inches out of position, rendering the bridge unsate for trains. A movement of the ice opposite Port Deposit his morning and a subsequent gorging backed the water upon the town. All the wharves, coal and lumber yards were submerged from two to four feet. The water has since receded a few feet.

Lancaster, Feb. 23.—The ice in the Susque-The water is higher than for twenty-three

The American Art Galleries' Sale At the third evening's sale of pictures from

two private collections and outside contributions at the American Art Galleries last even-ing 108 pictures brought \$20,757, making a

A Negro Murderer Hanger. ATLANTA, Feb. 23 .- Lewis Moore, colored, was hanged in Georgetown to-day. He was to have been hanged three weeks ago, but was respited in order that his sanity might be in-quired into. The Governor decided to let him hang. Moore ascribed his misfortune entirely to whiskey and begged his hearors to beware of it. Just before the trap was sprung he sold his body to local physicians for \$20, which he handed to his wife.

Mr. Corcorns Dring. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28. -Mr. Corcoran has been steadily sinking all day, and it is feared that he will not live another twenty-four hours. His puise is 180 and his respiration 50. He has been unable to partake of any nourishment during the day.

Beath of Justice White's Son. In consequence of the death on Wednesday of his 7-year-old son, Thomas F. White.

Justice Androw J. White did not appear at Jef-ferson Market Court yesterday. He didd of malignant diphtheria, and he will be buried to-day from Justices White's home at 1,937 Madi-son ayeans. son avenue. Can Third Avenue Have a Cable! The right of the Third Avenue Railroad Com-

pany to operate a cable railroad along its route was discussed before Judge Patterson in Supreme Court. Chambers, yesterday. It was so an application by John E. Parsons and Edward Lanterbach for a manishme to compel the Commissioner of Pathic Works to grant a permit to the company to make excavations along its route for cables. Assistant Corporation Councel care maintained that by the terms of the charter steam power in no shape can be used along the Third avenue route in any way, shape, or form.

BROOKLYN.

Police Superintendent Compbell has notified the various Capitains to allow no sparring exhibitions to take piace in their precincts for which permits have not been granted by the Mayor. granted by the Mayer.

The Rev. James Fortist of Brooklyn, who has been confined to his residence in Macon street, suffering from a
serious complication of diseases, was still in a very critical condition year-orday.

Deputy Polite commissioner F. L. Dalton's official head
is believed to be in serious peril, and among the leading
endidates for his place are Joseph Clark and ex-assemblyman Thomas F. Farrell.

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Myrtic avenue itroublyn, has been alek of heart disease
for some time, and while treating himself last night with
an electric batter; fell dead.

John Peters of 145 Yan Richen avenue, who was found
fromen to death on the ico in Janaica Bay on Wednerday, had been subject to means attacks since the death
of his wife, about a year ago.

Furman T. Natt, the hatter, has refused to pay the
usual Et tax for a license for his dog, on the ground that
it cannot be legally collected. The Corporation Counsel
says that he will test the matter in the courts.

The Brooklyn police last night-captured three young

The Brooklyn police last night captured three young fellows who had been doing a highly profitable insinces lately in swinding attreets by means of foreign checks for small amounts. The prisoners are John Oilion, aged it, of 530 Hedford avenue, and Frank Cadmus, 18, of 56 Highs street.

mu, 18, of 60 Highs street.

Seventeen-year-old John Brown, on being refused lodeings in the Butler street police station on Wednesday,
182th, hurled a paving atone through the window of the
room in which Capt. Leavy and Judge Massey were sliting at the time. On being straigned before Justice Massey in the morning he executed himself on the ground
that the derseant had made him mad, and was sentened to seven mortilery and also to pay a fine of those.